

House Resolution 968

By: Representatives Jordan of the 77th, Abdul-Salaam of the 74th, Brooks of the 63rd, Lucas of the 139th, Sinkfield of the 60th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the D.L. Gorham Club; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, established in 1954 by the pastor of the Holsey Temple Christian Methodist
3 Episcopal Church, the D.L. Gorham Club works tirelessly to enhance the lives of children
4 in the community and throughout the state; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Pastor Gorham, along with advisors Jerolene Bell and Kathryn Pitts Jasper,
6 created the organization to work in harmony with the leadership and programs of the church,
7 assisting in the spreading of fellowship and good works; and
- 8 WHEREAS, named the Holsey Junior Club until 1979, the club, under the leadership of
9 president Dorothy Rutland, changed its name in order to honor its founding pastor, D.L.
10 Gorham of the Holsey Temple Christian Methodist Episcopal Church; and
- 11 WHEREAS, through spiritual formation and recreation, the D.L. Gorham Club has been
12 instrumental to the church's many youth-focused programs, helping to uplift and inspire the
13 future leaders of the community; and
- 14 WHEREAS, among the many benevolent deeds of the club, the D.L. Gorham Club has
15 assisted in efforts to maintain properties of the church, furnished necessary supplies, and
16 created an atmosphere of peace, love, and hope in their beautiful decoration of the church
17 during the Christmas season; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the D.L. Gorham Club current and past members include Rheba Bryant, Delores
19 Cook, Rosa Dunn, Connie Franks, Beatrice Hill, Ernestine Hudson, Nettie Johnston, Inez
20 LaVant, Susie J. Mathis, Joan McCord, and Jewel Price; with charter members Obie Bailey,
21 Ruby Dunn, Alice Ingram, Leola Jordan, and Laura Winn; and

22 WHEREAS, the outstanding commitment of the members of the D.L. Gorham Club and their
23 charitable and gracious acts on behalf of others is worthy of appropriate recognition.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
25 the members of this body commend the D.L. Gorham Club on the decades of effective,
26 unselfish, and dedicated service it has provided to the community.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the D.L. Gorham Club.